

REMARKS

The pending Office Action has been carefully considered. Seventeen claims are pending in this application, numbered 1-12, 24, 25, 28, 30 and 33. Claims 1, 7 and 33 have been amended. Claims 29 and 34 have been deleted and claims 35-37 have been withdrawn. Claims 1 and 33 are the only independent claims pending in the application.

The Examiner has objected to claims 29 and 34 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 29 was dependent on claim 28 and claim 28 was dependent on claim 1. Claim 1 has been amended to include the imitations of claims 28 and 29 and is now believed to be allowable.

Claim 34 was dependent on claim 33 and claim 33 was dependent on claim 1. Claim 33 has been amended to include the limitations of claims 1 and 34 and is now believed to be allowable.

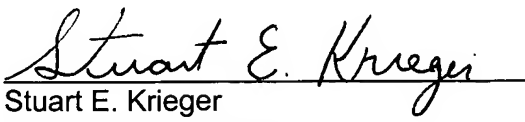
Claim 7 has been amended to resolve the Examiner's objection.

The Examiner has indicated that the Petition Decision dated September 13, 2004, that the figures may be resubmitted without violating the prohibition against new matter. Accordingly, the drawings are being submitted herewith. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.121(d) the upper margins of the drawings are labeled with the words "Replacement Sheet"

It is respectfully submitted that independent claims 1 and 33 and the claims dependent thereon are allowable and that this application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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